

VERMONT TRANSCRIPT.

FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 1864.

The postage on the transcript to regular subscribers in this County is free; to any part of the United States out of this County, five cents per quarter, payable in advance at the post office where the paper is received.

E. J. Morrison's new and substantial building on Champlain Street is nearly completed.

Corporal Frank R. Carpenter, Co. F, 8th Vermont regiment, has been recently promoted to be Second Lieutenant in the same company.

The fire in one of the woodsheds of the Vermont and Canada Railroad Company, here, on March 13th, was discovered before much harm had been done. \$50, will probably cover the damage.

L. Dutcher & Son have erected, in the rear of their drug store, a convenient three-story building which is to be used for the manufacture of fly paper and other articles in which they are heavy dealers.

A fire broke out on the 16th inst., in the north end of the Gas House, caused by fire from the furnaces connected with the manufactory of gas—communicating with the material used in the manufactory. Loss about \$100.

The desirable house and lot on Main street, owned by the estate of the late Decius R. Bogie, has been recently sold to Hon. William L. Sowles, of Swanton Falls. We regret to learn from Mr. Sowles that he is not going to make St. Albans his future home.

The large and new paint-shop which has been erected at St. Albans during the past few weeks under the direction of Harvey Tenney, Esq., master bridge builder of the Vermont Central Railroad Company, is nearly ready for occupancy by the Railroad Company.

Mr. Benjamin F. Rugg has sold to Samuel Williams, Esq., Secretary of Civil and Military affairs, the dwelling house on Rugg Street which has been occupied by Mr. H. H. Locklin, for the last two years; and Mr. Williams takes possession on the first day of April.

Among recent confirmations by the Senate were those of A. P. Blunt of St. Johnsbury, and H. Brownson of Rutland, as Ass't Quartermaster Generals, and E. D. Redington of St. Johnsbury, as U. S. Paymaster.

CONDENSED WAR NEWS.

New York, March 15.—The Times' Washington dispatch says the Military Committee have agreed to report in favor of increasing the pay of soldiers to \$18 per month.

Two hundred and fifty rebel soldiers, who have taken the oath of allegiance, started for New York this evening.

The Tribune's dispatch says the naval store was seized by order of Secretary Welles, and a number of officers have been arrested, to be used as witnesses against Savage and other parties in Philadelphia and New York, charged with swindling the Government in naval contracts.

The ring is very large, and includes very respectable agents in the department.

Gen. Siekels starts on his tour of Western inspection this week.

The Herald's dispatch says Gen. Hunter declines the tender of the command of the department of the Pacific, desiring active service. The Middle Department was also refused on the same ground.

It is believed in the reorganization of the Army of the Potomac under Gen. Smith, Gen. Hunter will command the First corps, Gen. Hancock the Second and Gen. Warren the Third.

The Tribune's dispatch says Gen. Warren has been appointed to the command of the third corps.

The World's dispatch says Commissioner Lewis of the Internal Revenue Bureau recommends a tax of forty cents on petroleum.

The same paper says rumors are abroad that Gen. Butler is to be removed from his present command.

New Positions for Gens. Grant, Halleck, Sherman and McPherson.

The President of the United States orders March 12, 1864, as follows:

First Major Gen. Halleck is, at his own request, relieved from duty as General in Chief of the Army, and Lieut. Gen. U. S. Grant is assigned to the command of the armies of the United States. The headquarters of the army will be in Washington, and also with Lieut. Gen. Grant in the field.

Second—Major Gen. Halleck is assigned to duty in Washington as Chief of Staff of the Army under the direction of the Secretary of War and the Lieutenant General commanding. His orders will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

Third. Major Gen. W. T. Sherman is assigned to the command of the military division of the Mississippi, composed of the departments of the Ohio, the Cumberland, the Tennessee and the Arkansas.

Fourth. Maj. Gen. J. B. McPherson is assigned to the command of the Department and Army of the Tennessee.

Fifth. In relieving Maj. Gen. Halleck from duty as General in Chief, the President desires to express his approbation and thanks for the zealous manner in which the arduous and responsible duties of that position have been performed.

By order of the Sec'y of War,
E. D. TOWNSEND,
Assistant Adjunct General.

Gen. Sherman's Expedition.

New York, March 15.—Full details of Gen. Sherman's raid are published in the Herald and Tribune. One hundred and fifty miles of railroad communication were destroyed by Gen. Sherman. This was his object. The future re-occupation of Mississippi by the rebels is impossible. One hundred and fifty will cover our entire loss.

Kilpatrick's Raid.

Gen. Kilpatrick, who has arrived in Washington, attributes the failure to capture Richmond wholly to the treach-

ery of the negro guide hung by Dahlgren. The negro was perfectly familiar with the country west of Richmond, and was sent to Col. Dahlgren from Gen. Meade's headquarters, with the note dated just previous to the departure of the expedition and found on Dahlgren's person. It is believed that upon approaching Richmond the negro's cowardice induced him to direct the command above Goosetown, with the view of avoiding a fight.

The total number of troops in the Rebel army is said to be 344,000.

LATER.

The President has issued, March 15th, 1864, a call for an additional draft of two hundred thousand men, to be commenced as soon after April 15th, 1864, as practicable. The Government bounties continue until April 1st, and then cease.

General W. F. Smith will probably assume the command of the Army of the Potomac. Gen. Smith is a native of St. Albans.

A CARD.

Editor of the Transcript:

I saw in the Burlington Daily Times of the 14th inst., a statement to the effect that I had resigned the office of Postmaster at St. Albans. The statement being incorrect, I sent the Editor a letter informing him of the fact. You will excuse me for publishing, that the change of Postmaster here is not caused by resignation, but by removal. I am not willing that those who are my friends should be led to believe of our family, either through ignorance or carelessness, that we are heavy dealers.

Wool, Cotton, Hemp, and Leather.

Denim, Ticks and Stripes.

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BOSTON MARKET.

A general quietness in the market, and prices of all staple commodities remain firm. Interest in real estate is still strong, the buyers and sellers regarding the probability of an increase rather than a decrease.

Some new names come to light but little information on the markets, as the tug of war is, at present, confined to the German Powers on the one hand and little Denmark on the other.

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